

In the Claims:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) An armrest adjustment mechanism for supporting an armrest unit, the mechanism comprising:

    a fixed plate having a pair of pins projecting from a first side thereof and having a plate slot extending therein;

    a frame mounted adjacent to the plate and attached to the armrest unit, the frame having a pair of frame slots formed therein, each frame slot slidably receiving a corresponding one of the pins, the frame also having a bore extending therethrough;

    a bolt member, the bolt member having a head engaging a second side of the plate and a shaft extending from the head and through the plate slot and the bore, the shaft having a threaded free end; and

    a knob having a bore with internal threads for rotatably and threadably engaging the threaded end of the shaft; and

a hollow cylindrical bushing mounted on the shaft between the knob and the frame.

2. (cancelled).

3. (original) The armrest adjustment mechanism of claim 1, wherein: frame slots are spaced apart on opposite sides of the bore.

4. (cancelled)

5. (cancelled)

6. (original) The armrest adjustment mechanism of claim 1, wherein: the plate slot and the frame slots are parallel to each other.

7. (original) The armrest adjustment mechanism of claim 1, wherein: the plate slot and the frame slots all extend diagonally.

8. (original) The armrest adjustment mechanism of claim 1, wherein: the plate slot is located between the pins.

9. (original) The armrest adjustment mechanism of claim 1, wherein: the frame, the bolt member and the knob are movable together with respect to the plate.

10. (cancelled)

11. (cancelled)

12. (cancelled)

13. (cancelled)

14. (cancelled)

15. (cancelled)

16. (currently amended) The armrest adjustment mechanism of claim 22 42, wherein:

the frame, the bolt member and the knob are movable together with respect to the plate.

17. (currently amended) The armrest adjustment mechanism of claim 22 40, wherein:

the plate slot and the frame slots are parallel to each other.

18. (currently amended) The armrest adjustment mechanism of claim 22 40, wherein:

the plate slot and the frame slots all extend diagonally.

19. (currently amended) The armrest adjustment mechanism of claim 22 4, wherein:

the plate slot is located between the pins.

20.(new) A method of adjusting an armrest adjustment mechanism for supporting an armrest unit, the mechanism comprising a fixed plate having a pair of pins projecting from a first side thereof and having a plate slot extending therein, a frame mounted adjacent to the plate and attached to the armrest unit, the frame having a pair of frame slots formed therein, each frame slot slidably receiving a corresponding one of the pins, the frame also having a bore extending therethrough, a bolt member, the bolt member having a head engaging a second side of the plate and a shaft extending from the head and through the plate slot and the bore, the shaft having a threaded free end, and a knob having a bore with internal threads for rotatably and threadably engaging the threaded end of the shaft, the method comprising the following steps:

untightening the knob on the bolt;

shifting the frame relative to the plate; and

tightening the knob on the bolt.

21.(new) An armrest adjustment mechanism for supporting an armrest unit, the mechanism comprising:

a fixed plate having a pair of pins projecting from a first side thereof and having a plate slot extending therein;

a frame mounted adjacent to the plate and attached to the armrest unit, the frame having a pair of frame slots formed therein, each frame slot slidably receiving a corresponding one of the pins, the frame also having a bore extending therethrough;

a bolt member, the bolt member having a head engaging a second side of the plate and a shaft extending from the head and through the plate slot and the bore, the shaft having a threaded free end, the head of the bolt includes a non-circular shank member which is slidably and non-rotatably received in the plate slot; and

a knob having a bore with internal threads for rotatably and threadably engaging the threaded end of the shaft.

22.(new) An armrest adjustment mechanism for supporting an armrest unit, the mechanism comprising:

a fixed plate having a pair of pins projecting from a first side thereof and having a plate slot extending therein;

a frame mounted adjacent to the plate and attached to the armrest unit, the frame having a pair of frame slots formed therein, each frame slot slidably receiving a corresponding one of the pins, the frame having a bore extending therethrough between the frame slots; and

a clamping assembly for releasably clamping the frame to the plate, the clamping assembly being movable with the frame with respect to the plate, the clamping assembly having a portion which is non-rotatably and slidably received in the plate slot, and a portion of the clamping assembly extending through the bore, the clamping assembly comprising a bolt member with a head and a threaded shaft, the head being slidably and non-rotatably coupled to the plate, and the shaft extending from the head and through the plate slot and the bore, a knob having a bore with internal threads for rotatably and threadably engaging the threaded end of the shaft, and a hollow cylindrical bushing mounted on the shaft between the knob and the frame.

23.(new) An armrest adjustment mechanism for supporting an armrest unit, the mechanism comprising:

a fixed plate having a pair of pins projecting from a first side thereof and having a plate slot extending therein;

a frame mounted adjacent to the plate and attached to the armrest unit, the frame having a pair of frame slots formed therein, each frame slot slidably receiving

a corresponding one of the pins, the frame having a bore extending therethrough between the frame slots; and

a clamping assembly for releasably clamping the frame to the plate, the clamping assembly being movable with the frame with respect to the plate, the clamping assembly having a portion which is non-rotatably and slidably received in the plate slot, a portion of the clamping assembly extending through the bore, the clamping assembly comprising a bolt member with a head and a threaded shaft, the head being slidably and non-rotatably coupled to the plate, and the shaft extending from the head and through the plate slot and the bore, and the clamping assembly comprising a knob having a bore with internal threads for rotatably and threadably engaging the threaded end of the shaft, and the head of the bolt member includes a non-circular shank which is slidably and non-rotatably received in the plate slot.